

Weather: Fair and warm
er Tuesday; Wednesday fair;
light northeast to east winds.

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JUDGES TESTIFY IN THE SMOOT INVESTIGATION

Tact Understanding in Utah that One Senator Should be Nominated by the Mormons.

COULD CONTROL BOTH SENATORS

And Keep Gentiles Off
Ticket Entirely if
They Should
Unite.

LITTLE INTERFERENCE BY THE
CHURCH IN POLITICS—FORMER
SUPREME COURT JUDGE TESTI-
FIES TO CHARACTER AND
PROMINENCE OF SENATOR
SMOOT—POLYGAMY IS DE-
CREASING.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Judge William
McClure, of the supreme court of
Utah, a witness called for the defense
in the Smoot investigation today, de-
clared that there was tacit understand-
ing in Utah that one senator should
be nominated by the Mormons and
the Gentiles realized that if the
Mormons should unite they could con-
trol both and keep the Gentiles off the
ticket, and therefore the Gentiles were
oppressive until they knew whence
they would get Mormon support.

The judge said it was his opinion
that too much importance was attach-
ed to the church as a political factor,
and that as a matter of fact there was
little interference by it.

Judge James A. Miner, of Salt Lake
city, of the supreme court of
Utah, was recalled today as a wit-
ness and testified as to Mr. Smoot's
character and as to his promi-
nence politically in 1896, when Judge
Miner went to Utah. Polygamy is de-
creasing so rapidly, said the witness,
that he believed Utah would be better
in ten years than any state in the
union. "There is no more polygamy
in Utah than in New York or the district
of Columbia," he added.

Chairman Barrows questioned Judge
Miner concerning the extent to which
polygamy is practiced among the
members of the church. He said it was not
generally understood, before this in-
vestigation, that they were continuing
the practice of polygamous cohabita-
tion, but that the testimony given had
brought further light on the subject.
Edward A. Smith, of Salt Lake, a Mor-
mon and a member of the people's
party (the Mormon party) until it
was dissolved, in 1891, was the next
witness. He denied that at the meeting
for the dissolution of this party
resolutions were given by the church
to certain persons should be demon-
strated, certain others republicans and
others independent in politics.

HEAVY FIRE LOSS AT PACKING PLANT

THE STORAGE WAREHOUSE OF
SCHWARZCHILD & SULZBER-
GER DAMAGED TO EX-
TENT OF \$150,000.

Chicago, Jan. 16.—The fire which
started in the beef storage house of
Schwarzchild & Sulzberger, Forty-
four street and Ashland avenue, last
night, was still burning today, al-
though under control. The firemen
cut holes in the sides and roof of the
building, a six-story structure, in their
efforts to find the fire, and although
large volumes of smoke and ammu-
nition poured out of the holes, no
flames were visible. The fire was in
the sawdust, which was packed be-
tween the double walls of the build-
ing. Fourteen firemen were overcome
by the ammonia, and were carried out
by their companions. All will recover.
The loss is estimated at \$150,000.

ALABAMA CROPS DAMAGED BY FROST

LOSS NEAR MOBILE WILL REACH
\$50,000—FLORIDA CROPS
UNINJURED.

Mobile, Jan. 16.—The spring vege-
table crop received a severe set back
today by the temperature going
down to 21 degrees above zero. The
crops covers a thousand acres and
the loss will be fully fifty thousand
dollars.

Florida Crops Uninjured.
Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 16.—The
fruit and vegetable crops of Florida
have not been damaged by frost, so
far as reported from any part of the
state.

KUROPATKIN REPORTS ON THE RUSSIAN RAID

Says Japanese Suffered Heavily and that Cavalry Captured a
Quantity of Army Stores and Prisoners—Russian
Losses Comparatively Small.

Chief of Government Bureau of Standards



HON. S. W. STRATTON.
Hon. S. W. Stratton, as chief of the government Bureau of Standards,
has recently been highly complimented directly by President Roosevelt for
several very efficient reforms instituted by his suggestion in the supervi-
sion of weights and measures in the United States.

EXHAUSTIVE DEBATE ON SWAYNE IMPEACHMENT

Entire Day in House Devoted to Discussion
of Legal Phases of Charges
Against Judge.

Washington, Jan. 16.—In the house
today debate on the Swaine impeach-
ment case was exhaustive and lasted
until five o'clock this afternoon. The
debate dealt chiefly with legal phases
of the charges against Judge Swaine.
In the senate a resolution fixing

Mrs. Brodie Duke Suddenly Disappeared from Hotel

New York, Jan. 16.—After Mrs.
Brodie Duke suddenly disappeared
from a Union Square hotel in this city
today a woman who said she was
Mrs. Duke, called up the hotel by tele-
phone and notified the management
that she had left New York city. She
refused to say where she was staying
but declared she would send for the

Sheriff Fatally Cut, Two Killed and Two Injured

Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 16.—A spe-
cial from Tuskegee, Ala., says:
While attempting to arrest Robert
and Jim McBryde on the main street
here to-night Sheriff T. F. Conner was
fatally cut about the neck. Robert
McBryde and Jim McBryde
were both shot to death and Deputy

BANK DYNAMITED; \$40,000 TAKEN

Macon, Jan. 16.—Information reach-
ed here from Lafayette that the bank
in that town was dynamited today
and forty thousand dollars taken.

Nixon in Italy.
Naples, Italy, Jan. 16.—Lewis Nixon
arrived here yesterday on board the
Hamburg-American Line steamer Deut-
schland from New York. His name is
not in the passenger list. Mr. Nixon
is proceeding overland to Paris, where
it is reported he will hold a confer-
ence with a Russian agent regarding
torpedo boats.

TREATMENT OF GENERAL STOESSEL

Nogi Says He is Now
Neither a Prisoner
of War or an
Enemy.

BUT A FOREIGN GENTLEMAN
WHO HAS MERITORIOUSLY
SERVED HIS COUNTRY AND
SHOULD BE ACCORDED FULL
MILITARY HONORS—GIRL IN
DISGUISE AMONG RUSSIAN
PRISONERS.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—General
Kuropatkin, in a dispatch to the em-
peror reporting Russian cavalry raids
on January 10 and 11, says the Japan-
ese suffered heavily and that Russian
losses during those two days were
three officers killed and ten wounded,
and fifteen soldiers killed and forty-
nine wounded. The general adds that
the cavalry captured a quantity of
stores and prisoners and says that the
Japanese stores at Yinkow were ablaze
for nearly the whole night of January
12.

Stoessel Not a Prisoner.
Tokio, Jan. 16.—General Nogi has
written to the governor of Nagasaki
the following:

"As to the treatment of General
Stoessel, you will be advised by the proper
authorities, but it may not be out
of place to point out that Gen. Stoessel
is now neither a prisoner of war or
an enemy, but a foreign gentleman
who meritoriously served his country,
and moreover, so honorably performed
without unnecessary delay the com-
plicated task of transferring the forts
and munitions of Port Arthur that he
deserves to be accorded full military
honors, and I commend him to your
consideration."

Female in Disguise.
Tokio, Jan. 16.—It is reported that
a Japanese gentleman discovered a
woman about 20 years old disguised
among the Russian prisoners brought
to Nishima. She was much embar-
rased at the exposure, and is now
located in special quarters.

Exchange of Prisoners.
St. Petersburg, Jan. 16.—Japanese
consent to an exchange of prisoners
according to class and rank has just
been received here. The near fu-
ture three Russian officers captured
on the Russian volunteer fleet will be
exchanged for Japanese officers of the
same rank.

CASE OF SENATOR BARTON DECIDED

SUPREME COURT REVERSES DE-
CISION OF DISTRICT COURT
AND ORDERS NEW
TRIAL.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The case of
Senator J. B. Barton was decided by
the supreme court of the United
States today dismissing the writ of
certiorari to the circuit court of ap-
peals for the eighth circuit and re-
versing the decision of the district
court for the Eastern district of Mis-
souri on the ground that payments of
Barton were made in Washington.
The case was remanded for new trial.
Justice Beckham rendered the deci-
sion. Justice Harlan dissented, hold-
ing that the payment was made at St.
Louis.

STATEHOOD BILL IN THE SENATE

PLEA AGAINST MEASURE ON
GROUNDS THAT PROPOSED
STATE OF ARIZONA
WOULD BE TOO
LARGE.

Washington, Jan. 16.—The state-
hood bill was discussed in the senate
this afternoon by Senator Simmons,
of North Carolina, and Senator High-
bourn, of Iowa. Both made a plea
against the proposed state of Arizona
on the grounds of area and said that
the tendency should be towards small-
er and not larger states.

PHILADELPHIA DYNAMITER WANTED IN NEW YORK

Evidence Secured Sufficient to Convict Ros-
seau of Complicity in Attempt to
Blow Up Steamer Umbria.

New York, Jan. 16.—Police officials
of this city hope to have possession of
Gessler Rosseau, now under arrest in
Philadelphia, by the middle of the
week. Inspector McClusky, chief of
the detective bureau, asserts he has
sufficient evidence in the Umbria in-
famous machine affair to convict Ros-
seau of a felony and send him to pris-
on for a ten year term. The inspec-
tor is anxious also to see if he can
connect Rosseau with the mysterious
disappearance some years ago of the
steamer Naronic, in which many lives
were lost.

Many Deaths Caused By Epidemic of Influenza

Chicago, Jan. 16.—Influenza is more
prevalent and more fatal in Chicago
this winter than at any time since
the epidemic year of 1891, according
to the weekly bulletin of the health
department. Twenty more deaths
from this cause were reported during
the week.
Investigations by Dr. Robert B.
Preble, a medical inspector for the
department, are held to show "There

Missouri Representative Offered Money for Vote

St. Louis, Jan. 16.—A special from
Jefferson City, Mo., says: Representa-
tive Cook testified before the investiga-
tion committee today that he had been
promised "a good slice of money" if
he would vote for Thomas K. Neidring-
haus for United States Senator. The
proposition was made to him previous
to the senatorial caucus.

Gale Caused Havoc Along Coast of United Kingdom

London, Jan. 16.—A fierce gale last
night caused much havoc along the
coasts of the United Kingdom. There
were a number of wrecks of small
craft resulting in loss of life. A
French ketch was driven ashore on
the Isle of Wight and her crew of five
men were drowned. All arrivals re-
port terrific weather. The harbors
were filled with vessels seeking shelter.
No less than fifty steamers have
sought shelter at Holy Head. This
morning the bitter cold is accompan-
ied by a gale and the first skating of
the winter commenced in Lincoln-
shire.

WOUNDED IN PHILIPPINES

LIEUTENANT AVERY AND TWO
NATIVES INJURED IN AC-
TION JANUARY 14.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Lieutenant
General Chaffee, chief of staff, today
received a cablegram from General
Corbin, commanding the Philippine
division at Manila, saying that he re-
ceived the following dispatch from
Brigadier General Carter, command-
ing the department of Visayan, dated
Tacloban, January 14:
"Lieutenant Avery, one of the Phil-
ippine scouts, and two native employes,
were wounded in action at Dolores
river January 14. Private Austin, hos-
pital corps, was wounded and nine
constabulary were killed in action
near Maslog, Samar, January 8. Lieut-
enant Avery and Private Austin ar-
rived here today."
The officer referred to in the above
dispatch is First Lieutenant Morton I.
Avery, of the Philippine scouts.

PRESIDENT SMITH PAID SHORT VISIT TO CITY.

President Milton H. Smith, head of
the Louisville and Nashville Railroad,
was a visitor to Pensacola on Sunday,
reaching here on a special during the
forenoon in the private car of the
president of the big system. He was
accompanied by General Counsel
Stone, and the private secretary of the
president.

The party was met by a number of
the local officials of the company and
remained for several hours.
The visit of the officials was only
an ordinary one. They had been visit-
ing various other cities in this section
and decided to include Pensacola in
the itinerary.

THE MISSOURI BOODLE COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY

Asks for More Time to Pursue Investigation
Into the Alleged Contribution to
Influence Legislation.

NEIDRINGHAUS WHITEWASHED

Report Says He Did
Not Put Up the Mon-
ey as at First
Charged.

INTEREST IN SENATORIAL SITUA-
TION AT FEVER HEAT IN ST.
LOUIS—KERENS SAID TO BE
FORMULATING PLANS TO DE-
FEAT NOMINEE OF CAUCUS FOR
SENATORSHIP.

Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 16.—The
senate committee investigating the
charges that the contribution to the
republican state campaign fund of
twenty-one thousand dollars and ac-
credited to Chairman Neidringhaus, of
the Republican State Central Commit-
tee, which is now said to have
been contributed by St. Louis
brewers to influence legislation, re-
ported to the senate this evening and
asked for more time to pursue the in-
vestigation. The committee reported
that Neidringhaus did not contribute,
the twenty-one thousand dollars as
accrued to him. The report is signed
by the full committee.

Interest at Fever Heat.
St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 16.—Interest in
the senatorial situation is at fever
heat to-night, both in St. Louis and
Jefferson City, on the eve of balloting
in the legislature for a successor to
United States Senator Francis M.
Cockrell.

The recent investigation here by
two legislative committees into charges
contained in the resolution of Rep-
resentative Grace that local brewers
had contributed largely to the repub-
lican state campaign fund in violation
of the corrupt practice act, followed
by the story of a dinner held at the
home of R. C. Kerens on Saturday
night, at which it was alleged plans
were formulated to defeat Thomas K.
Neidringhaus, caucus nominee for Sen-
ator, and strengthen the force of Ker-
ens, who was the defeated candidate
in the caucus, has stirred political
circles in Missouri to a vast extent.

SMALL FIRE AT PUBLIC SCHOOL NO. 2.

A small fire occurred at public
school No. 2, located on East Gregory
street, yesterday afternoon, but with
the exception of causing a little ex-
citement among some of the pupils
after it had been extinguished, the re-
sult was not of a serious nature.

The blaze was discovered in its in-
cipient by Mrs. Wilson, the principal
of the institution. It was in the cloak
room, to which place Mrs. Wilson
went at the noon recess to procure
her cloak. She quickly secured one
of the first extinguishers and within a
few moments the fire had been extin-
guished. The pupils, with but few
exceptions, were not aware of the
fact that a fire had occurred.

The blaze was occasioned by a de-
fective fuse, and the fire department
was called out by telephone, but the
fire was out before the trucks arrived.

TWELVE INJURED IN STREET CAR ACCIDENT.

Pittsburg, Kan., Jan. 16.—Twelve pas-
sengers were injured today as the result
of a street car accident on the Mount
Washington tunnel line, which ran
away as it left the north end of the
tunnel. Most of the injured were badly
cut and bruised and were taken to
the different hospitals, but none was
seriously hurt.

Leave For Philippines.
St. Louis, Jan. 16.—The entire popu-
lation of the Visayan village at the
World's Fair left here today on two
special trains over the Burlington and
Northern Pacific railways for Seattle,
Washington, from which place they
will sail for the Philippines.

Called to Nashville.
Nashville, Jan. 16.—Rev. R. Lincave,
one of the Christian church's fore-
most divines, has been called to the
pastorate of the Woodland Street
Christian Church here. At present
he is pastor of the West End Christian
Church, Atlanta.

Payne Gets Hildebrand.
Hot Springs, Ark., Jan. 16.—It is
reported that Jockey Hildebrand, who
rode the largest number of winning
horses last year, will ride for Harry
Payne Whitney, of New York, this
year.

EIGHT MEN DEAD AS RESULT OF OIL FIRE.

Decatur, Ill., Jan. 16.—Eight men
are reported dead in the Decatur oil
mill as the result of a fire this after-
noon.